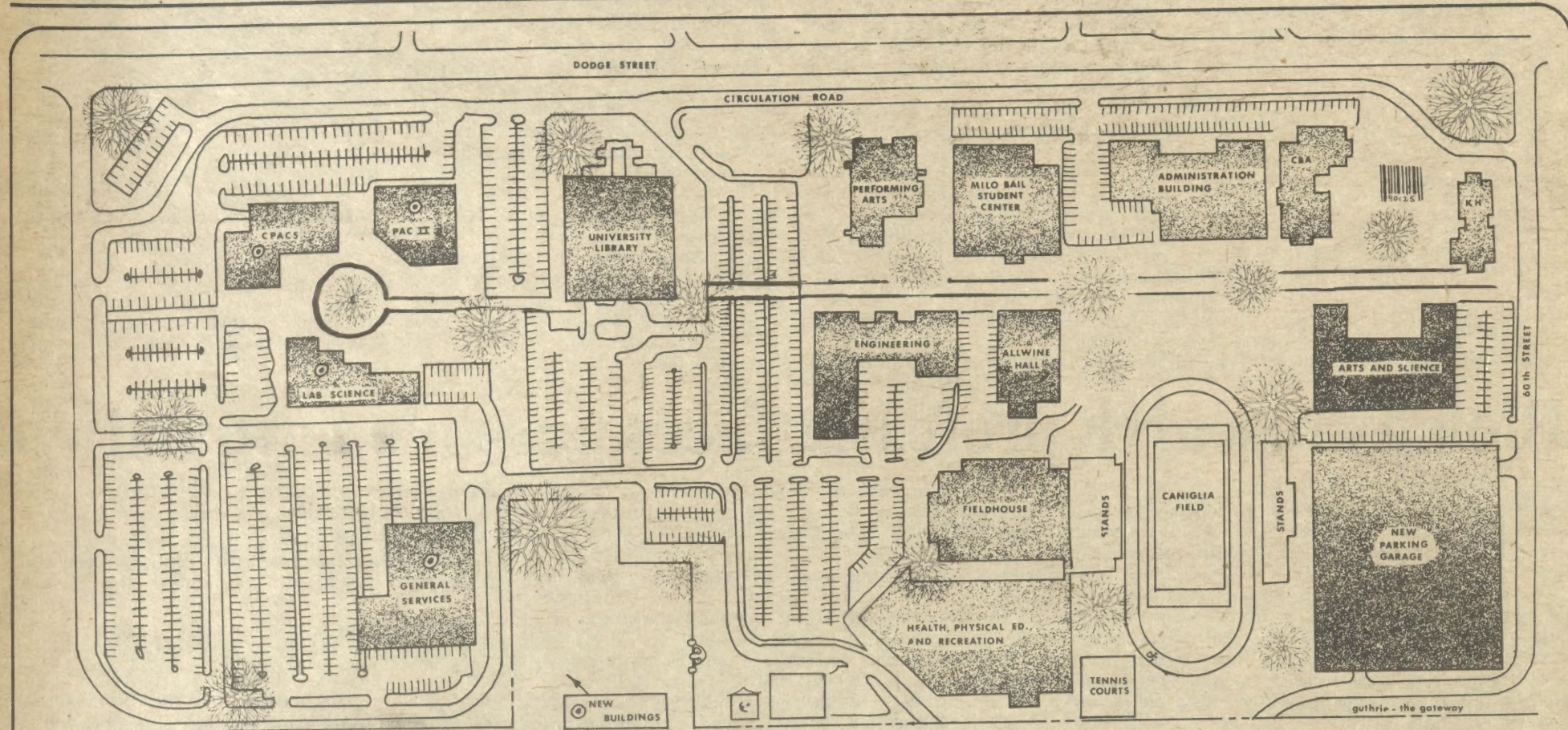


# THE Gateway

University of Nebraska at Omaha

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## Officials prepared to implement long-term plan

By KENNY WILLIAMS

It is 8:30 a.m. on Monday morning. A student is on her way to a class at UNO. She stops her car at the 60th and Dodge Street exit and waits at the light as cars whiz by on Dodge.

At the light, she heads south on the widened 60th Street access road to the multi-level parking garage behind Arts and Sciences Hall.

She finds a parking space easily and heads to her lecture in the old theater in Arts and Sciences Hall. The theater is used as a lecture hall now since the new phase of the Performing Arts Center has been completed.

After class she walks up the refurbished pedestrian walkway that divides the UNO campus in half. Trees line the walkway and form a shadowy canopy above her as she walks past the library to the new courtyard at the west edge of campus.

She sits on a bench in the courtyard to read some notes before her physics lab in the new Laboratory Science Building. Behind her, to the north, is the new CPACS building. To the west of that is the new Performing Arts Center. In front of her is the multi-purpose Laboratory Sciences Building where her physics class will meet in the expanded, modern lab facilities.

This vision of the UNO campus could become a reality if the proposed expansion plan is completed, according to Chancellor Del Weber.

He said the long-term plan calls for a circular access road, additional parking space including a parking garage and four new buildings.

When complete, the expansion would bring the total amount of university property to 88 acres, an addition of 16 acres.

"This is no pie-in-the-sky stuff," Weber said. "It's on the drawing board and it is going to happen."

Weber said the plan would solve several long-standing problems facing the University.

"The college has always been faced with a number of

serious physical problems due to the sheer number of students," Weber said. "The plan we are proposing would address itself to all these problems." He said the expansion plan would solve four major problems facing the University: ---Parking. "The University has never been able to keep up with the parking demand," Weber said. More than 25 years ago, the late Milo Bail declared that the University had come to the "end of its rope" in solving the parking problem.

---Classroom space. The University needs more classroom space. Presently 22 classes meet in portable classrooms east of Arts and Sciences Hall. The performing arts shop and pottery and ceramics classes also meet in temporary quonset huts. English classes meet in the College of Business Administration Building and Kayser Hall. Computer science user rooms also take up space in the library.

---Traffic flow. The traffic flow in and around the University is poor. Cars constantly travel in and out of campus and are forced to drive through pedestrian traffic. The Dodge Street accesses are also a bottleneck for busy morning and evening rush hour traffic.

---Western boundary. The University has never been able to establish a permanent western boundary. This problem has been the focal point of many of the disputes with the neighboring community.

The fate of UNO expansion, according to Weber, depends on the pocketbook of the State Legislature.

Gov. Kerrey, in his state of the state message Jan. 6, proposed a \$25 million initiative for educational improvements in Nebraska. Although the lion's share of this money will go toward the enhancement of teacher salaries, UNO hopes to collect \$6 million in state appropriations for the first phase of the expansion plan.

The first phase will give top priority to the circular access road and multi-purpose lab sciences building, according to Neil Morgensen, director of plant management at UNO.

The access road, which will circle the entire campus and eliminate all but two exits from Dodge Street, has an estimated cost of \$1,049,000.

Morgensen said the money for the design, development and construction of the circular access road and the design and development of the lab sciences building has already been requested.

The laboratory sciences building will house 22 40-seat classrooms. The classrooms will provide lab space for geography and engineering, offices for math and computer science, math labs for individualized instruction, physics labs, shop space and a large computer-user room. The projected cost for the building is \$10 million.

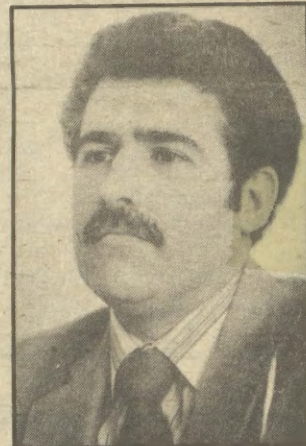
The name lab sciences is misleading, said John Newton, dean of the college of arts and sciences. "It's more of a combined classroom building," he added.

Newton said the building would clear out the College of Business Administration for business classes.

"It's hard to predict when the actual construction will begin," Morgensen said. "We still have to go through land allocation and allow those people (UNO neighbors) time to move out."

The proposed circular access road would solve many of

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the existing traffic problems on campus, said Gary Carrico, vice chancellor for business and finance at UNO. Carrico said the new road will eliminate all entrances off Dodge Street with the exception of the 60th Street entrance and the proposed entrance at the new western boundary at 67th Street.

He said 60th Street will be widened to handle the traffic flow, and added that an improved intersection will be developed at 67th Street for the new entrance.

Morgensen said work could possibly begin on the access road and the designs for the lab sciences building this summer. However, he added the University will not know until June if the money requested will be allocated.

Although one neighbor, Frances Batt, has filed suit against the University, Weber said this will not prevent UNO from completing its plans.

After the first phase of the plan is completed, Weber said the University hopes to construct three additional buildings: the CPACS Building, a General Services Building and the second phase of the Performing Arts Center.

Other plans include a multi-level parking facility, with an estimated cost of \$9 million. Also, new surface parking will be added which will increase the number of spaces on campus to 4,800, Weber said.

A campus walkway, which would run the entire length of the campus, will dissect the University into northern and southern sections, Morgensen said. The walkway will be covered by a canopy of trees similar to what is now in place along the sidewalk south of the Eppley Administration Building.

The walkway would extend westward and cut the parking lot to the east of the library in half, Morgensen said. Traffic would then be forced to go north or south of the walkway, therefore eliminating the pedestrian/car traffic problem.

Morgensen said \$150,000 will be allocated for trees, shrubbery and other terrain improvements designed to enhance the overall beauty of the campus.

"An interesting thing about the plan," said Weber, "is that although we are not adding that much space, we make very effective use of the space allotted."



Weber

"This is no pie-in-the-sky stuff, it's on the drawing board and it is going to happen."



# Family of UNO student is optimistic following accident

UNO student Gail Persinger remained in serious condition Wednesday after a Saturday night car accident but her family and doctors were optimistic.

"Each hour that goes by is in her benefit," said her mother, Kathleen Persinger. "She's healing and she's more restful now."

A member of UNO's ROTC unit, the 20-year-old Persinger had been selling concessions at a UNO basketball game and was on her way to join fellow ROTC members for pizza when the accident occurred.

She was alone in the family's 1973 Chevrolet van when it broke through a chain link fence at 69th and Pacific Streets at approximately 11:10 p.m. The van hurtled down a steep embankment and landed upside down in the Papio Creek.

ROTC members Robert B. Smith and Mark Strehele were following Persinger and found her floating face down in the creek near the van.

"We were two cars behind her when the van lost control," Smith said. "It looked like it was actually turning, but it was totally out of con-

trol."

When Smith and Strehele found Persinger, she had a skull fracture, a facial wound and had lost part of her ear. Despite the injuries, Smith said she was not bleeding.

"I couldn't believe we'd find her in that good of condition," he said. Not only was the van upside down, Smith said, it had tumbled down steep rocks.

While awaiting the ambulance that would take her to Bergan Mercy Hospital, Smith and Strehele covered her with coats and tablecloths from a nearby restaurant.

Smith, a senior computer science major at UNO, spent six years in the Air Force and was certified by the Red Cross in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). He is also trained in first aid and water safety. Smith said it was not necessary to perform CPR on Persinger.

"Fortunately her friends were right behind her," said her mother. "Not that anybody else wouldn't have stopped," she said, "but they knew who they were looking for. Because of them, she's where she is now. Obviously we are eternally grateful."

According to the Persinger family, if the fa-

cial cut had been a millimeter deeper, it would have been life-threatening. Instead, a lung condition resulting from swallowed water is the immediate danger, she said.

Persinger has been placed on a respirator. Her mother said the machine helps her daughter with every other breath.

She said consultations with a plastic surgeon have assured her the part of the ear her daughter lost can be reconstructed very easily. "But that's way down the road right now," she said.

Currently in her first year at UNO, Persinger transferred from Purdue University because she wanted to be an Air Force ROTC cadet rather than an Army cadet, her mother said. Her father, George Persinger, spent 26 years in the Air Force. Mrs. Persinger said the family decided to remain in the Omaha area after his retirement in 1983 because of the "excellent school system."

In her short time at UNO, Gail has made numerous friends, according to Smith. "She is a very excellent student and gets very high grades," he said. "She also has a great sense of humor," he added.

Gail's mother said the family appreciates the



Gail Persinger

number of calls they have received and is especially thankful to ROTC program members for all of the concern they have shown. "They've really been fantastic and so very supportive," she said.

## Biology research professor faces possible termination

By KEVIN COLE

Unless university budget recommendations are reversed, UNO will lose an important member of its academic community and an irreplaceable part of the biology department, according to Robert Egan, chairperson of the biology department.

Last week, the revised Academic Affairs Report listed 19.25 faculty positions which must be terminated to pay for faculty raises ordered by the Commission on Industrial Relations. Among them was one faculty position in the biology department. As the only non-tenured staff member, Ann Antlfinger, assistant professor of biology, will not be re-appointed for the 1985-86 academic year.

"Everyone in this department was shocked when the list came out," said Egan.

He said the termination of any position in biology had not been considered necessary by John Newton, dean of the college of arts and sciences. Egan said Newton did not suggest such action in recommendations last December to Otto Bauer, vice chancellor of academic affairs.

Antlfinger holds several degrees, and came to UNO after completing a post-doctoral fellowship at Harvard in 1979-81. She has been at UNO three years.

"She brings to the department an area of biology, quantitative biology, that most of us haven't been trained in," Egan said. Quantitative biology is the application of mathematics to describe a biological process.

"Her background in statistics rounds out our program, and is very important to our department," he said.

Biology professor William deGraw agreed the loss of Antlfinger will have adverse effects on the department. "As a teacher,

her approach to quantitative biology is something no one else has the training for," he said. "The effect on the students is that it will narrow the breadth of our major."

Both Egan and deGraw said Antlfinger's loss would be felt as much by her colleagues as by the students. "It's not just the students who have used her expertise," Egan said. "The faculty has also benefited greatly from her statistical knowledge in their research projects."

Although Antlfinger specializes in plant biology, her background in statistics and design has aided several colleagues in their research, deGraw said. "She'll be missed by a lot of people besides me in that sense," he said. "Just getting the design right before the experiment is a big advantage."

The ability to coordinate biology and statistics is what makes Antlfinger an irreplaceable part of the department, according to Egan.

"She is better able to understand more exactly what someone is getting at," he said. "Since she's been here, it's taken some of the load off our math department and she understands our problems where they may not."

Because of Antlfinger's unique training, two courses she has developed, population biology and experimental design, will no longer be offered at UNO if she leaves.

"She has been a very active and involved individual in terms of her research and she's recognized by her peers for submitting workable proposals and they've been funded," Egan said. Antlfinger has published numerous research papers and has received four grants.

In 1981, 1982 and 1983, Antlfinger was awarded grants from the University Committee on Research which totalled \$12,760.

She also received an \$1,800 grant from the American Philosophy Society in 1982. A \$13,000 grant from the National Science Foundation is pending.

Egan said the selection of one biology position for termination reflects the low priority laboratory work receives for faculty staffing.

"Lab work doesn't fare very well in the model game. My feeling is that is why biology was picked to be put on the list," he said.

Antlfinger is presently working on a research project at Georgia University (where she received three of her four degrees) and will return to UNO Feb. 7.

While Antlfinger has been gone, her colleagues in the biology department have launched a campaign to save her position. "We're doing several things," Egan said. There is a letter-writing campaign to faculty at other universities such as Creighton and Lincoln, where Dr. Antlfinger has been a guest on campus. We're writing the Regents, grad students, biology alumni and the press. And, he added, "we intend to appear before the Regents at their Feb. 17 meeting."

Newton stressed that Antlfinger's termination has nothing to do with her record at UNO. "She's been a fine addition to the University ever since she arrived," he said. "Unfortunately, Vice Chancellor Bauer's model showed more faculty than needed in biology."

By unanimous agreement, the faculty of the biology department haven't given up trying to save Antlfinger's position. "We'll do everything we can to get it back," Egan said.



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# Comment

## Now wait a minute

In literature recently distributed by the Citizen's Action Association, the group claims The Gateway is against the University's campus expansion plan.

That is incorrect. Last semester, The Gateway called the university's plan "excessive," but acknowledged that "some expansion is necessary to solve the parking problem (or at least reduce it) and build a new laboratory sciences building."

The editorial was written before The Diamond Jubilee Fund was announced. The Peter Kiewit Foundation donated \$6 million to start the fund, contingent upon the University coming up with another \$18 million.

That looks possible, since the University of Nebraska Foundation has pledged \$2 million and another \$10.5 million will most likely be provided by the Legislature. UNO needs to raise an additional \$6.5 million from donations.

If we at The Gateway had known of the Diamond Jubilee Fund, the editorial would have been substantially different.

Members of the Association are misleading when they say their plan costs \$5.4 million compared to the \$25 million the university plan will cost.

The association's plan calls for a parking garage behind Arts and Sciences Hall, at a cost of \$5.4 million.

The university plan would provide \$10 million for a laboratory sciences building, \$9 million for a new parking garage, \$3.3 million for acquisition of 12 homes west of campus, \$1.2 million for new parking lots and \$1 million for demolition of existing buildings and construction of a circular access road around the campus.

The two plans are not comparable.

UNO officials would be foolish not to capitalize on the Kiewit gift and try to expand the campus while they can.

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## Jeffrey Kallman says he's not just exercising his ego

By JEFFREY A. KALLMAN

Last week, a gentleman wrote to suggest that I have been working from the particular vantage point of the ego. I offered what I hope was a genial reply to the gentleman, but I found myself wondering whether or not my response was complete. In honesty, I must say it was not.

A portion was due to the limitation of space. The letters section, after all, belongs to the readers of The Gateway. But the experience did serve to instruct me that I have not articulated my purpose with the clarity it deserves. So, allow me to begin by stating — emphatically, I hope — that the last part of my purpose is ego.

I do admit to a twitch of joy whenever I see my byline each week (show me a writer who does not know the twitch, and I'll show you a liar). However, the cause is a sense of fulfillment which normally lasts for five minutes. Then I remember that there is still a job to be done.

I replied to my inquisitor (my description of him as a gentleman is wholly accurate) that I regarded the intelligence of the typical UNO student to be higher than did he. I should have phrased that statement differently. I should

have written that the intelligence of the typical UNO student is such that it is probably I who would benefit from his instruction. Therefore, the first element of my purpose is to reach people such as my hypothetical student. How should this be done?

It cannot be done by pandering. Nor can it be done by writing that suggests the writer learned his lessons exclusively from the supermarket scandal pages.

One of my primary disappointments has been the possibility that modern culture, to borrow a description from Albert Jay Nock, has disallowed the claims of knowledge and intellect, except for the possession of a small number. This should not be. Without going quite so far as to say we should convert ourselves into a community of monastic philosophers, I will say we might encourage an atmosphere in which the amiable pleasures of the intellect are not held against those who revere them. I am convinced that such people are to be found on campus. If I can encourage such people to make themselves known, and without embarrassment, I am doing my job.

This is not to say that I have achieved the pinnacle of style. Far from that, I have too often been guilty of overlooking this or that factor

(unintentional, I assure you). I have made no small number of errors in composition, dangled more than my allotment of participles. But we are here to finely hone our acquired faculties and to reduce the margin of error significantly. In that spirit, I ask patience. I appreciate those who have taken the time to point such things out. My greatest flaw is a terrible tendency to be carried away by what I am doing, and I rather suspect that I will have to lean on myself more heavily than before.

I further plead guilty to the charge of taking delight with "10" words and equivalent sentences. A language as lovely as English should not be restricted to a minor percentage of its magnanimous vocabulary. Nor should the joy of reading be constricted to singularities. As a brilliant piece of music should be full of variety — subtleties in harmonics and counterpoints, and improvisations — so should writing and reading encourage and enhance the subtleties, lyric variety and confident winds of the language. If a person has something to say, it cannot injure the what to allow a little extra room for the how. It needn't be too deliberate, but it is not harmful.

When I sit down to read a book or an essay, I am mindful of the substance, of course. But

I have often found myself admiring the manner while disagreeing with the argument. (William F. Buckley, Jr. is a perfect example.) This does not denigrate substance. But it is more than a small impulse of humanness to pay the proper respect to the one who gives his own due respect, so that his thrust emerges as considerable, if not always compatible with our own.

The entire purpose is to prod people to think. Having done that, it is also intended to tell them that they are entitled to enjoy their thinking, to share their thinking and to pursue it, without having to look over their shoulder in fear of the wolf pack chasing them under the banner of this or that orthodoxy.

I simply write what I have to say, then I leave it to the reader to accept it and to think individually. There should be no further interference from me past having said something. To do more than that would be disrespectful toward the individuals on campus, disobedient to the basic law of congeniality and incompatible with the plain order of what I have been taught to be the essence of writing.

Having yet much to learn, I intend to obey those admonitions. If I falter, I am certain someone will grant me a gentle tweak of reminder. Appropriately.



## Neurotica

### By Karen Nelson

It had been quite awhile since anyone had heard from the Student Terrorist Organization and I had figured that STO went the way of organizations such as the square dance club. But then a communiqué arrived via campus mail.

A note was clipped on the communiqué. "Dear Karen: I'd appreciate it if you'd publish this in your column. It would be a great help to the revolution against the fascist-pig regents who are trying to change UNO into a McDonald's of education. Besides, I'm sure you remember what happened the last time you ignored an STO request. Yours in revolutionary sisterhood, Monique."

The text of the communique follows:

### A CALL TO ACTION!!!

Students! Rise up against the injustices being perpetrated upon the NU system, especially UNO. Programs are being threatened, 19 faculty members may lose their jobs, money is being spent on a takeover of property belonging to the people.

While this is happening, administrators and regents sit securely in their offices, thinking the student body will remain as apathetic as ever.

We of the Student Terrorist Organization say NO MORE. Others have tried being reasonable with the Board of Regents, and where has it led us? A place on the agenda, somewhere below the distribution of Big Red football tickets. STO is through talking. If we aren't to be ignored like past generations of students, we must act now.

We advocate speaking to the Regents in a language they can

understand. If the Board of Regents doesn't start making decisions which are more supportive of education, we plan to strike at one of their weakest points.

We plan to take away the Regents' furniture.

Think about it. We aren't just talking about your everyday chairs and tables that anyone can pick up from Nebraska Furniture Mart. We're talking about expensive furniture — some may even be antiques. A conference table could probably pay a professor's salary for a year.

If that's not enough, consider this: how can the Regents hold a meeting without furniture? Can you imagine Moylan, Simmons, Hoch and all the rest of them sitting around on the floor deciding the fate of the University system?

Of course, there'll be hearings before a budget for new furniture can be approved. Since it's difficult to hold hearings in empty rooms, the Board of Regents would have to hold hearings somewhere other than Regents Hall. The Regents would be forced to go from campus to campus to hold meetings.

After visiting other campuses, the Regents would be forced to see how conditions really are. If improvements were made (more classes, more and better faculty, sensible parking garages, fewer layers of bureaucracy), the Regents would get their furniture back. We may be terrorists, but we're reasonable terrorists.

If the only change is a budget for more furniture for Regents Hall, then we have no choice. We'll sell the furniture and donate the proceeds to our favorite charity — the AAUP.

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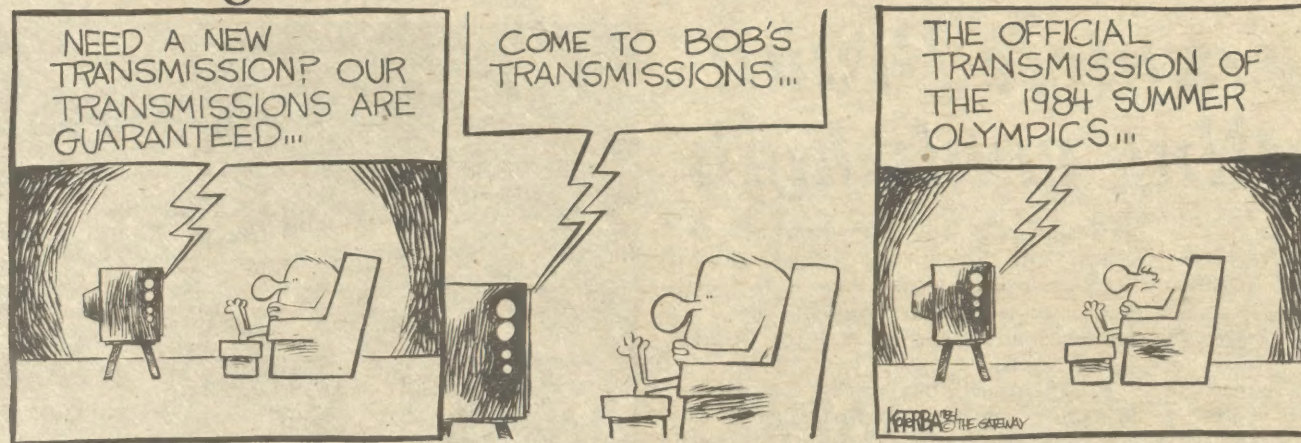
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### Studio theater

The UNO Drama Department will present the opening performance of "The Fantasticks" tonight at the Studio Theater, room 214 of Arts and Sciences Hall. The show begins at 8 p.m. and will also be presented Feb. 4, 5, 10, 11 and 12. Admission is \$3, and tickets are available at the box office in Arts and Sciences Hall.

### Ak-Sar-Ben memberships

Ak-Sar-Ben memberships are still available at a reduced rate through University Relations, Eppley 202. University faculty and staff may purchase memberships for \$14 (for the first 200 sold) through Feb. 14.

### Artist spotlight

Peter Hill, professor of art, has 10 acrylic paintings on display as part of a "Spotlight Show" at the Joslyn Art Museum. The exhibit continues through Feb. 19 from 10 a.m. to 5

p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays, and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays.

### Epic dramas

The Student Programming Organization's lineup of movies continues this weekend with "Doctor Zhivago" Feb. 3 and 4, and "East of Eden" Feb. 5. New showtimes for the Spring are: single features at 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. on Friday, Saturday at 5 p.m., 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. (except Feb. 3 and 4, which have a single showing at 7:30 p.m. only). Double features on Friday and Saturday are set for 7:30 p.m. only. All movies are presented in the Eppley Administration Building Auditorium and are open to the general public. Admission is \$1 for UNO students, faculty, staff and alumni with ID, and \$1.50 for the general public.

### Blood drive

The Staff Advisory Council is sponsoring a

Red Cross Blood drive Friday, Feb. 10, in the HPER building. Appointments can be made by calling Mary Gibson, 554-2516.

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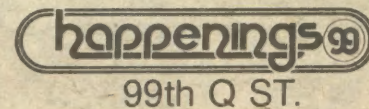
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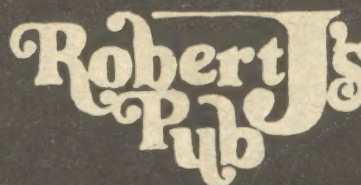
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# Sports

## Versatile athlete Braun sets wrestling goals high

By ERIC OLSON

Mike Braun is the kind of athlete every coach wants on his team, according to UNO Head Wrestling Coach Mike Denney.

"It's the kind of kid like Mike that makes me stay in coaching," said Denney.

Braun has graced himself on more than one UNO coach. In four years at UNO, Braun has wrestled for Denney and played baseball last season for Coach Bob Gates.

Braun's collegiate success has been on the wrestling mat at UNO, but he has a preference for baseball. "I enjoy baseball more because you don't have to train so hard," he said.

**Denney: It's the kind of kid like Mike that makes me stay in coaching.**

But he isn't afraid of hard work, according to Denney.

"He sets his goals high," he said. "Mike has always stuck to his goals and has exceeded what we ask of him."

Braun has had to go the extra mile to reach his goals. He must train early in the morning before going to Westbrook Middle School, where he is a student-teacher of physical education. His work as a teacher is rigorous and he is required to be at UNO for wrestling practice at 3 p.m.

"I enjoy being able to associate with those kids," said Braun, a senior who transferred from Wayne State after his freshman year. "They always have a reaction to everything, and you always have to be on your toes."

Braun said juggling activities doesn't bother him. He arises each morning at 5:45 and gets to UNO by 6:30 a.m. After running 20 to 30 minutes with assistant coach Mark Rigatuso and two other freshman wrestlers, he arrives

at Westbrook by 8 a.m. Braun said he enjoys running with Rigatuso, and credits him for his improvement over the last three years. "Mark has helped me out a lot. I couldn't start to tell how much he's helped me since I've wrestled here," he said.

The 190-pounder may one day get the chance to improve other wrestlers. Braun plans on joining the UNO coaching staff after this season if he doesn't find a teaching job.

If he teaches, Braun said he hopes to find a coaching position on the junior high or high school level.

Denney said Braun's contributions to the team are integral to the Mavs' national ranking. "Mike is just an outstanding athlete," Denney said. "He's given the best effort to be the best he can be."

Braun is 25-6 so far this year, and he hopes to improve that mark in this weekend's dual meet with North Dakota and North Dakota State. He has placed third or better in three invitationals this season.

Last year he was 15-6 in the 177-pound class. His improvement has been steady over his four-year career. He has improved from a .500 wrestler in his first two seasons at UNO into a National Championship contender. But he hasn't found as much success on the baseball field.

**Gates: Mike isn't a natural at baseball, but he was very dedicated. He has a good strong arm.**

Although Braun compiled a 2-0 record as a pitcher last season, he doesn't plan on going out for the team this year.

"I had to start so late with the team last year after wrestling that I didn't want to do it again



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this year," he said.

A native of Hooper, Neb., Braun pitched only nine innings last year in his four-week stint with the Mavs. His only start came against Peru State in a 3-1 win during which he gave up three hits and struck out three batters. Braun's other win came in relief against Creighton.

Gates said Braun was not the only person to try out for baseball and still play another sport. He said Braun was at a disadvantage because the wrestling and baseball seasons coincided for a time.

"We're glad to have guys from other sports come out. Mike isn't a natural at baseball, but he was very dedicated," Gates said. "He has a good strong arm."

Braun said Gates realized the situation with

the wrestling team, but still welcomed him to try out for baseball. "Gates was really good," he said. "There was nothing negative. He was really understanding."

Braun could have joined the team sooner, but Gates wouldn't allow it. "He wanted to be sure I was ready before going out on the mound," said Braun. "He had my best interests in mind."

Braun's sports experience goes beyond baseball and wrestling, however. In high school he competed in football and track. Last year, he ran three 10-kilometer road races and plans on doing more this year. Braun also plays softball in the summer.

"I will always be competitive, and I hope to coach someday," he said. "Athletics will be my life."



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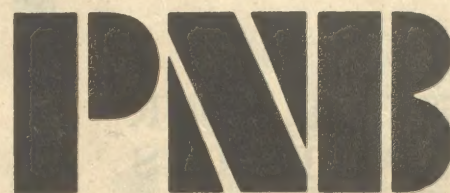
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# Chiefs may put UNO defense to test

The ninth-ranked men's basketball team will face Morningside College tonight in a crucial North Central Conference match-up.

UNO, 9-0 in the NCC and 16-3 overall, has won 10 straight going into tonight's game in Sioux City, Iowa. Morningside, 7-1 in the conference and 14-4 overall, is in second place in the league, 1½ games behind the Mavericks.

Head Basketball Coach Bob Hanson said defense will be the key against the Chieftains. UNO held North Dakota State 19 points below their league-leading offensive average in last Saturday's 68-49 win. In last Friday's win against North Dakota, the Mavs held the NCC's leading scorer, Kevin Wilson, to just eight points.

Hanson said it has been a team effort defensively. "Everyone's been doing a good job. One night it was Suggs and Keys, the next it was Rust and Jacobson. It's a team effort," he said.

The Maverick defense will have its work cut out for it tonight. The Chieftains have three starters scoring in double figures.

Guard Brent Aden averages 11.2 points per game, Steve Brandsma averages 15.6, and Bob Beneke, a transfer from UNO, is scoring 15.3 a game.

Brandsma and Schnoes led the Chieftains with 12 and 10 points, respectively.

"It's a sign of a good team to play poor and still win," Hanson said of Morningside's narrow escape.

On Saturday they beat third-place Mankato State 85-81. Paul DeBey scored 19 points and Beneke hit 18 to lead Morningside.

UNO will travel to Vermillion, S.D., to face South Dakota tomorrow night. The Coyotes are 1-7 in NCC play and 5-13 overall.

South Dakota is led by junior guard Rob Swanhorst, who is averaging 11.6 points per game. The Coyote's scoring attack is very balanced, though, as the four other starters range in the neighborhood of seven points a game.

South Dakota was cellar-dweller St. Cloud State's first conference victim last Saturday night as they suffered a 74-65 loss. Dave Gustafson scored 19 for the Coyotes while Swanhorst tossed in 14 in the losing effort.

Senior Mike Bunn will not see action against UNO tomorrow night because he has a fractured carpal bone in his right wrist.

UNO's injury situation is not any brighter, as they will have to do without the services of All-NCC center Terry Sodawasser. He injured his ankle Jan. 20 at St. Cloud and has sat out four games. Sodawasser underwent arthroscopic surgery to remove calcium deposits Jan. 26, and should be back in the lineup as early as Feb. 10.

But the good news this weekend is that UNO's All-American candidate, Dean Thompson, could break into the school record books. The 6'1" senior scored 66 points last week to put him at a career total of 1,627 points. He needs 34 to set the career scoring record at UNO. Dennis Forrest's current record total is 1,660.

For his efforts, Thompson was named the NCC Player of the Week. He also has 388 career assists, and could become the second Maverick to dish out more than 400.

Thompson also leads the balanced UNO scoring attack. His 17.7 points per game average is followed by Suggs' 11.

Jeff Fichtel is leading the Mavericks in rebounds, pulling down nearly six a game. The injured Sodawasser also averages six.

UNO will open a two-week home stand beginning next Friday against South Dakota State. The Mavs have been flawless at the Fieldhouse, posting a 10-0 record on their home court.

On the road, the Mavs are 6-3. All three losses have come in non-conference clashes.



Thompson

NCC Standings	Conference		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
UNO	9	0	16	3
Morningside	7	1	14	4
Mankato State	6	3	14	4
Augustana	4	4	11	7
North Dakota	4	4	10	8
South Dakota State	4	5	12	6
North Dakota State	3	5	11	7
Northern Colorado	3	6	4	13
South Dakota	1	6	5	12
St. Cloud State	1	8	4	15

Sophomore John Kelzenberg has been alternating with Bob Conaway at center, and is a very capable player, according to Hanson.

Daryl Schnoes, a sophomore forward, is also a threat, he said.

Still, one of Hanson's main concerns will be containing Beneke. Touted as an All-American candidate by Morningside, Beneke has tremendous outside shooting ability, according to Hanson. Beneke transferred from UNO after his freshman year because he didn't feel he would get enough playing time, said Hanson.

The Chieftain's conference title hopes were almost shattered last Friday by St. Cloud State. Morningside came away with a 59-57 win, but not before the Huskies led by five at one point.

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## Lady Mavs face tough battles

The women's basketball team will try to get back into the thick of the conference race with weekend games against South Dakota State and South Dakota this weekend.

UNO, 1-3 in the North Central Conference and 3-14 overall, has lost only once to the Jackrabbits in 17 meetings prior to tonight's game. SDSU is 7-8 and has lost its last seven games.

The Jackrabbits are led by junior Rita Hurley and JoElle Byre, a 5'11" forward. Hurley averages 10 points per game while Byre averages nine points and nine rebounds.

South Dakota takes a 6-0 conference record into Saturday night's game with the Lady Mavs. The 17th-ranked Coyotes have three starters who average in double figures.

Forward Karrie Wallen averages 18.7 points a game and leads the team in rebounds, too. Ann Pancoast is at 14 points a game and Mitzie Frericks scores 11.

UNO enters the game after splitting a pair of conference contests last weekend. The Lady Mavs lost 77-56 to North Dakota last Friday,

but rebounded to beat North Dakota State 65-62.

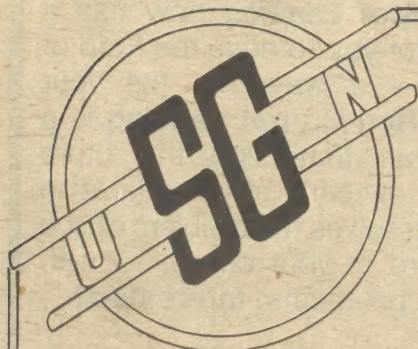
Freshman Jackie Scholten led UNO with 16 points against North Dakota and 13 against NDSU. Mary McCauley tossed in 12 points in each game.

The win Saturday night was a welcome relief for Head Coach Cherri Mankenberg. UNO had been struggling since it learned senior Vicki Edmonds was ineligible to play. The Lady Mavs were forced to forfeit eight wins after being ranked 20th in Division II with an 8-5 record.

"We really felt we had our act together and then the whammy hit us," Mankenberg said. "It's been mentally draining."

The 6'2" Scholten leads UNO in scoring, averaging 13.2 points per game. She also leads the Lady Mavs in rebounding with seven a game.

McCauley averages nine points a game. The St. Paul, Minn., native is third in rebounding on the team with five a game.



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